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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Administrative Staff, OC

SUBJECT: Teletype Equipment

1. Various reports produced in this Center are transmitted to certain domestic and overseas posts over the Agency Communications network.

2. The following steps are performed in PIC/CIA in order to expedite the publication of reports and the preparation of five (5) channel tapes for teletype transmission.

a. Text of report is punched into IBM cards.

b. The IBM cards are listed on offset paper masters which are run on Multigraph 1250 presses.

c. The same IBM cards are then passed through a Systematics Intercoupler system and the information is translated into five (5) channel international teletype code and punched into paper tape.

d. In order to verify the paper tape, item c above is reversed and a second set of IBM cards are prepared.

e. The second set of IBM cards are listed on an IBM 407 Tabulator and visually verified with the text of the published report.

f. After verification the tapes are sent to Communications/DPD-DD/P for transmission.


3. While investigating ways and means to further expedite the above procedures, we contacted [redacted] Communications/DPD-DD/P, who suggested that a possible solution to eliminate the punching of the second set of IBM cards would be to install a M-19 Teletype Printer equipped with a HW-7 low-level keyer. This would allow us to get a read-out of the tape much faster than heretofore. It is not intended that this Printer be used in any actual communications link for receiving or transmitting.

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4. It would be appreciated if you could arrange for the installation of such a Teletype Printer in the Stewart Building.

  
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